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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Special Security Center

SUBJECT : Possible Future Publicity on Project OXCART

1. In November of this year one Jerry HANNIFIN, a reporter for Time magazine on temporary loan to Fortune magazine and working out of the Washington office, called at Lockheed to obtain material for a story on the SST. At the beginning of his visit he expressed the desire to see Kelly Johnson, as "he wished to apologize for some mistakes which had been made in the Time story covering the AFA award to Johnson." HANNIFIN is an aviation specialist and covered the Paris Air Show prior to visiting Lockheed and indicated that he would be leaving for London and Paris (for more material on the SST) immediately after his visit. A "casual" meeting was arranged in the corporate dining room; and it was the opinion of those attending that HANNIFIN, in addition to seeking information on the SST and "apologizing" to Johnson, was on a "fishing" expedition of his own.

2. While he made no direct inquiries during the luncheon, he did make the following statement to the Lockheed Public Relations man, upon leaving: "When that fantastic new machine of Kelly's sees the light of day, I hope you'll protect me from the news standpoint." The Public Relations man assumed that HANNIFIN hoped to receive an advance copy as to the nature of the article when and if there is any public release.

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